

## Town Council Meeting: 09 April 2007



Town of Garrett Park  
PO Box 84  
4600 Waverly Avenue  
Garrett Park, MD 20896

Regular Meeting of Town Council  
Garrett Park Town Hall  
10814 Kenilworth Avenue  
Garrett Park, MD 20896

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### MINUTES

**Call to Order:** Mayor Shawaker called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM. Present were Councilmembers Altar, Irons, and Wegner, and Administrator Pratt and a number of Town residents.

**Approval of Agenda:** The Agenda was approved as posted without objection.

#### **Constant Yield Tax Rate Hearing & FY 2008 Budget**

- Constant Yield Tax Rate Hearing – Mayor Shawaker called the hearing to order at 8:25 PM, noting that the FY 2008 Budget would retain the current real property tax rate of 19 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation and not be lowering it to the constant yield rate of 17.2 cents. Town Administrator Pratt reported that the legally required notice had been mailed to all residents in a timely fashion. After a brief discussion Councilmember Irons **MOVED**

That the hearing be closed. Councilmember Wegner seconded the motion, which **PASSED** unanimously.

- Adoption of Ordinance 2007-02: The FY 2008 Annual Operating & Capital Budget, Setting of FY 2008 Tax Rate and Refuse/Recycling Collection Fee – Mayor Shawaker asked for a motion to adopt the FY 2008 Budget Ordinance. Councilmember Wegner **MOVED**

That Ordinance 2007-02, the Town Operating and Capital Budget for fiscal year 2008, be adopted, and that the Town retain its current Real Property Tax Rate of nineteen cents (19¢) per one-hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation, and retain its Corporate and Personal Property Tax Rate of one dollar (\$1.00) per one-hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation, and that the fee for municipal refuse and recycling collection be set at \$370 per household. Councilmember Irons seconded the motion, which **PASSED** unanimously.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- Councilmember Irons reported that the Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) had met to discuss the project at 4609 Waverly Avenue and that the county HPC will consider it at its 11 April meeting. Councilmember Irons

noted that the Town HPC would meet again to select a chair.

**Mayor's Report:**

- Mayor Shawaker reported that discussions with the State Highway Administration (SHA) concerning the Strathmore/Kenilworth traffic light were ongoing and that the Town remained committed to preventing any left turn prohibitions off Strathmore as part of the light's installation.

**Town Administrator Report:**

Town Administrator Pratt reviewed the monthly financials with the Council.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted

[TOWN SEAL]

Edwin Pratt, Jr., Clerk-Treasurer